

Fiscal Note



Fiscal Services Division

HF 2429 – Ignition Interlock Devices (LSB 2352HZ)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

House File 2429 caps the fine for first operating while intoxicated (OWI) convictions that caused no personal injury at \$625. This Bill also eliminates the minimum period of ineligibility for temporary restricted drivers licenses for first and second offenses. Conditional requirements for ignition interlock devices when offenders fail a chemical test are removed. This Bill also expands the list of allowed destinations for OWI offenders with temporary restricted licenses to include the following locations:

- A dependent minor's child care and educational activities.
- Church or other religious institution.
- Grocery store or gas station.

Background

- First time OWI offenders are currently fined \$1,250. The court is allowed discretion to reduce this fine to \$625 if no personal or property injury occurred.
- Currently, the minimum period of ineligibility for temporary restricted licenses is determined by prior offenses, blood alcohol level, and if the offense causes personal injury or property damage.
- Offenders that fail a chemical test may be required to install an ignition interlock device depending on conditions.

Assumptions

- In FY 2013, 8,100 first-time OWI offenders were assessed a fine. The average fine paid in FY 2013 was \$1,230. This fiscal note assumes that 8,100 first-time OWI offenders will be assessed a fine of \$625 in FY 2015 and FY 2016.
- Collection rates for assessed fines are assumed to be 39.6% for FY 2014 and 39.4% for FY 2015. These rates match collection percentages for FY 2012 and 2013, respectively.

Fiscal Impact

<u>HF 2429</u> will reduce fine revenue for local governments, the Victim Compensation Fund, and the State General Fund as estimated in the table below.

Impact to Local and State Governments

Year	Local Government		Victim Compensation Fund		General Fund		Total	
FY 2015	\$	-34,000	\$	-110,000	\$	-2,500,000	\$	-2,644,000
FY 2016	\$	-29,000	\$	-92,000	\$	-2,100,000	\$	-2,221,000
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Sources

LSA Calculations						
Department of Human	Rights, C	Criminal a	and Juvenile	Justice	Planning	Division

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to <u>Joint Rule 17</u> and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.